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Grade 1 Newsletter

Dear Grade One Parents,

Wow! Advent starts this week! Only a few weeks left before a well deserved break!

December Home Reading Game Attached

The December Home Reading “Read-o Game” is being sent home today- have fun! We hear from many parents that the children love it! Please return the November game board ASAP 😊 Remember to also read on Raz-Kids!

Lego “Simple Machines” workshop- Dec. 5th

Both classes will be participating in building “Lego Simple Machines”. A presenter will bring all the necessary equipment to the Learning Commons for this fun “In-School Field Trip”.

Gr 1 & 4 Buddy Field Trip to see Frozen 2- Dec. 4th

The permission form was sent home on Tuesday. Please be aware we are seeing the movie December 4th.

Christmas Concert

Please prepare your child’s “costume”! We are asked to wear “Sunday Best.” We suggest BOYS wear the school uniform (navy) pants and change their shirts for the school performances (NO JEANS please) Please be sure ALL ITEMS are labeled and sent to school in a reusable bag with your child’s name on it.

Just a reminder- the children perform Wed/Thurs at 1pm and 7pm Thursday. Just an FYI, we are “close to the end” of the play, which is about an hour long.

If you know in advance that your child will be absent for any of the performances, it is very helpful for us to know this ahead of time, as we have to re-arrange “the risers line-up”. Please pop a note in the planner, or send a quick email to your child’s teacher.

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Scholastic Book Order Attached- DUE December 4th

The December Book Order is attached- please return any orders to school by **Wednesday, December 4th**. If you’d like to purchase Book Order items as surprise Christmas gifts, just add a “Christmas” note to your book order, and we’ll hide the order when it arrives and secretly let you know it is here! THANK YOU to the parents that are paying on-line!

Here’s a few recommendations:

See Saw - #22S4 Where Jesus Slept (\$7)

Lucky- #4L4- Season of Kindness Bundle (5/ \$15.00)

Last Day of School – Dec. 20 - 12:00 Dismissal

We will have Mass at 9:15, recess (send a snack), and then singing Christmas carols in the gym at 11:00 (come join us!), with dismissal from the classroom at 12:00 pm.

Curriculum Notes

Math: we are continuing addition to 12, memorizing “doubles” and starting subtraction from 12.

Religion: we are learning about the Holy Family and Advent (in preparation for Christmas)

Journal: focus is on TWO “connected” sentences (or more) with a capital, period & finger spaces.

Spelling: we are working on consonants and 3 and 4 letter words using the vowels /a/o/i/u /e

Read-Well: Read-Well homework comes home weekly for students working up to Level 25.

Sight Vocabulary: your child should be starting “level 3/ Gr. 1” words this month (list attached)!

To be “Proficient” for the Second Term (March 2020), your child should be able to read all the Level Three and *SOME* of Level Four words. **Please return your child’s Sight Word Booklet to school each Thursday.** Congratulations to the 41 children who have completed ALL FIVE LEVELS of words!

Yours truly,

Mrs. Angela Bouvier

Mrs. Jacqui Thomson

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Sight Words: Level 3 (1st Grade):

after, again, an, any, as, ask, by, could, every, fly, from, give, giving, had, has, her, him, his, how, just, know, let, live, may, of, old, once, open, over, put, round, some, stop, take, thank, them, then, think, walk, were, when

Doubles Facts to practise at home:

$1 + 1 = 2$	$7 + 7 = 14$
$2 + 2 = 4$	$8 + 8 = 16$
$3 + 3 = 6$	$9 + 9 = 18$

$4 + 4 = 8$

$10 + 10 = 20$

$5 + 5 = 10$

$11 + 11 = 22$

$6 + 6 = 12$

$12 + 12 = 24$